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1. EC COMMISSION IS MOST LIKELY TO HAVE DEALT IN THE PAST WITH RADU MIHAI CONSTANTINESCU (INCORRECTLY IDENTIFIED AS STEFAN CONSTANTINESCU IN OUR NOVEMBER 3, 1974 MEMCON) WHO HAS BEEN INVOLVED WITH COMECON AFFAIRS FOR SEVERAL YEARS. WE UNDERSTAND HE HAS SERVED WITH SEVERAL COMECON DELEGATIONS, BUT DO NOT KNOW IF HE WAS EVER PERMANENTLY ATTACHED TO THE COMECON SECRETARIAT IN MOSCOW.

2. HOWEVER, APPOINTMENT OF MIHAI MARINESCU AS NEW ROMANIAN COMECON REPRESENTATIVE HAS RESULTED, NOT ONLY IN ORGANIZATIONAL AND OTHER CHANGES REPORTED IN REFTEL B (REPEATED TODAY TO US MISSION EC BRUSSELS), BUT MAY WELL LEAD TO PERSONNEL CHANGES AS MARINESCU ASSEMBLES HIS OWN TEAM. IN THIS REGARD, AMBASSADOR WAS RECENTLY TOLD THAT CONSTANTINESCU IS NO LONGER INVOLVED IN COMECON MATTERS.

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3. SO FAR ONLY NEW APPOINTMENT OF NOTE IS THAT OF GHEORGHE STOICA, THOUGHT TO BE A FORMER DEPUTY MINISTER OF ELECTRICAL ENERGY, AS DEPUTY TO MARINESCU. WE DO NOT KNOW IF, AS PART OF HIS NEW RESPONSIBILITIES, HE MAY BECOME INVOLVED IN THE COMECON-EC EXCHANGES.

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